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SUBJECT: MINISTER OF COURT'S COMMENTS ON KENYAN MINISTERIAL VISIT

1. IN COURSE OF CONVERSATION WITH ME ON OTHER SUBJECTS, COURT MINISTER ALAM MENTIONED VISIT TO IRAN OF KENYA'S FINANCE AND PLANNING MINISTER KIBAKI AND ENERGY AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER AMONO APRIL 30-MAY 1. THEY PRESENTED ALAM WITH LETTER FOR SHAH FROM KENYATTA AND MET WITH NIOC DIRECTOR EQBAL. ALAM SAID MAIN PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL OIL BUT THEY ONLY WANTED 30,000 TONS WHICH HE THOUGHT WAS MODEST ENOUGH AMOUNT. (COMMENT: NIOC INTERNATIONAL MARKETING OFFICIAL IZADI TOLD EMB PETROLEUM OFFICER MAY 13 THAT NO RPT NO ARRANGEMENTS HAD BEEN MADE WITH KENYA TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL OIL. END COMMENT)

2. IN BRIEF DISCUSSION OF KENYA'S POLITICAL/ECONOMIC SITUATION WHICH ENSUED, I VENTURED MY IMPRESSION COUNTRY MIGHT REVERT TO TRIBAL WARFARE WHEN UNIFYING HAND OF KENYATTA WAS REMOVED. ALAM SAID HIS INFORMATION INDICATED KIBAKI WAS LIKELY SUCCESSOR WHEN KENYATTA LEFT SCENE. UK EXPATRIATE ADVISOR MCKENZIE WHO ACCOMPANIED KENYA DELEGATION SHARES LATTER VIEW, ALAM ADDED.

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